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Status	
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on	
2a) This action is FINAL . 2b) This action is non-final.	
3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.	
Disposition of Claims	
 4) Claim(s) 1-7 is/are pending in the application. 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration. 5) Claim(s) is/are allowed. 6) Claim(s) 1-7 is/are rejected. 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. 	
Application Papers	
9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.	
10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.	
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).	
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d). 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.	
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119	
12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.	
Attachment(s)	
1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 4) Interview Summary (PTO-413)	
2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s)/Mail Date 12-30-03.	

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The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by McShane et al.

McShane et al show in for example figure 2 a lead frame 14 having a multilayer plate like disc part 16 on which chip12 is mounted and a plate like lead part formed thinner than said disk part. Disk part and lead part are shown joined together by adhesive insulation 26.

Said lead is also joined to a projected part 24 said projected part is shown thinner than the multilayer disk part.

Col. 1, line 44 teaches use of the material recited in claim 4.

The claims contain method of making characteristics (i.e. joined by ultrasonic welding) given no patentable weight in determining the patentability of the final device structure.

Note that a Aproduct by process≊ claim is directed to the product per se, no matter how actually made, In re Hirao 190 USPQ 15 at 17(footnote 3). See also In re Brown, 173 USPQ 685; In re Luck, 177 USPQ 523; In re Fessman, 180 USPQ 324; In re Avery, 186 USPQ 161 and In re Marosi et al, 218 USPQ 289, all of which make it clear that it is the patentability of the final product per se which must be determined in Aproduct by process≘ claims, and not the patentability of the process, and that, as here, an old or obvious product produced by a new method is not patentable as a product, whether claimed in Aproduct by process≘ claims or not.

Claims 1-7 are rejected.

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Bailey et al, Kuriyana, Mita et al, Webb, Cowley, Gillet et al, Planey, Mangiagli et al, Ota et al and Troger et al are cited to show lead and disk part.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to S. V. Clark at telephone number (571) 272-1725.

Primary Examiner

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March 19, 2005